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PATENT APPLICATION

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

September 22, 2003

In re the Application of

Makoto YONEZAWA

Group Art Unit: 2877

Application No.: 09/973,780

Examiner: V. P. Barth

Filed: October 11, 2001

Docket No.: 110831

For: IMAGE PICKUP APPARATUS AND DEFECT  
INSPECTION SYSTEM FOR PHOTOMASKSMALL ENTITY PETITION FOR 1<sup>st</sup> - 3<sup>rd</sup> EXTENSION  
OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) AND  
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